

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions and listings of the claims.

Listing of Claims:

1-20. (Canceled.)

21. (Previously Presented) An isolated protein comprising an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of:

- (a) amino acid residues 1 to 349 of SEQ ID NO:2;
- (b) amino acid residues 2 to 349 of SEQ ID NO:2; and
- (c) the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide encoded by the cDNA contained in ATCC Deposit No. 97182.

22. (Previously Presented) The isolated protein of claim 21 which comprises amino acid sequence (a).

23. (Previously Presented) The isolated protein of claim 21 which comprises amino acid sequence (b).

24. (Previously Presented) The isolated protein of claim 21 which comprises amino acid sequence (c).

25. (Previously Presented) The isolated protein of claim 21, wherein the amino acid sequence comprises a heterologous polypeptide.

26. (Previously Presented) The protein of claim 21, wherein said isolated protein is glycosylated.

27. (Previously Presented) A composition comprising the isolated protein of claim 21.

28. (Currently Amended) ~~A-~~ An isolated protein produced by a method comprising:

- (a) culturing a host cell under conditions suitable to produce the isolated protein of claim 21; and
- (b) recovering the protein from the host cell culture.